



Te Runanga o Ngati Porou ki Hauraki

Panui

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Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

Since our last Newsletter, which was sent out in June 2010, we have achieved some awesome milestones. The Hauraki Collective has been working very constructively under the Chairmanship of Paul Majurey with great support from David Taipari and his Team.

Agreement in Principle:

On the 1st October 2010, Ngati Pāoa hosted the Hauraki Collective members and the Crown. The venue was at their Wharekawa Marae, at Kaiaua. A magnificent setting. The people gathered witnessed the signing of the Agreement in Principle, between the Crown, represented by the Hon. Christopher Finlayson, Minister of Treaty Negotiations, and the 12 Iwi that make up the Hauraki Collective.

Mandating Process:

This major milestone was achieved in nine months. We now need to come back to the Iwi base and seek a mandate for the two Interim Negotiators to be mandated as Negotiators for the next round of Negotiations. Members will be advised by different media methods, such as, newspaper, radio and email notices. This process will take place early in the New Year. Dates and venues have not been confirmed at this time.

However, like I have said, our Iwi base will be informed as soon as we have reached agreement with Te Puni Kokiri.

A copy of the Agreement in Principle is posted on the Website.

Runanga News:

At our Runanga Hui, at Rakairoa Marae, Harataunga, on the 31st July 2010, Quentin Potae and Fred Thwaites were re-elected to the Ahi Kaa seats on the Runanga as was first timer John Rabarts. Our membership base continues to grow and Whanau are encouraged to see that family and relatives who Whakapapa to Harataunga and Mataora do register. New registrations in July were 78, August, very slack no one, September 10, October 2 and this month 9. So a total of 99 for the period, July to November, under review. Good going but keep those registrations coming in.

Resignations:

I would like to record the Runanga's thanks for the massive contribution that John McLeod has given the Runanga since its inception and the help he still continues to give. John has and will continue to be a cornerstone in the activities that will contribute to the strengthening and growth of our Iwi base

Website:

The Runanga website is due for a make over with the contracted company (Pluto) being the successful contractor to the Hauraki Collective, for the provision of 12 websites for Iwi within the Hauraki Collective.

Our thanks must be recorded to Rex Hale for the magnificent job he did in establishing our current website, some years ago now. The website still meets our current needs, but with help being available to create a larger website with more information and web pages being available, we are going for the update. This will be carried out by the contractor possibly with input from Carol who will continue to do the updates. Changes to the website will be advised as they occur and we are hopeful that more people will participate in it's use when up and running.

Finances:

Our Auditors report and suggestions as well as must do's, has been received. The matters that need attention are as follows:

- A motion moved and seconded to approve the financial report at each hui.
- Provide an annual return to the companies office.
- Apply for IRD number.
- Request RWT refund.
- Consider becoming registered as a charity.

The full report is available on the website at this direct link:

http://www.ngatiporoukihaauraki.maori.nz/images/TRONPKH_Auditors_Report.PDF

New Logo:

Our new logo is a design by Peter Boyd and is taken from one of his paintings inside the wharenui Rakairoa. It represents the paua on the rock, where it settles into it's own growing space. In this way it stands for the idea of 'belonging'. ~ John Hovell.

Nga Mihi,

Fred Thwaites

Chairperson.